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To:

All Department Heads

From:

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Director of Personnel

Subject: BLUE CROSS PROVIDER ISSUE

This is to provide you with information about changes in Blue Cross' provider network that impacts some County employees and their families enrolled in the CaliforniaCare HMO, Blue Cross Plus Point-of-Service and Prudent Buyer plans. This information is being provided to assist you in responding to employee concerns you may receive.

Blue Cross has advised us that effective June 28, 2003, their contract is terminating with Beverly Hospital. Please note there will be no disruption of care and benefits remain unchanged.

Blue Cross is developing a continuity of care plan for employees who have preauthorization of scheduled services. Employees and their dependents who are pregnant or undergoing a course of treatment should contact a customer service representative at Blue Cross' toll free number listed on their ID card. For reference, the numbers are below:

CaliforniaCare HMO 800-759-3030 Blue Cross Prudent Buyer 800-288-2539 Blue Cross PLUS 800-288-6921

My Employee Benefits Hotline staff is also prepared to assist employees who may have questions.

Please call me or Marian Hall, Human Resources Manager, at (213) 738-2255 if you have any questions, or your staff may call Tatiana Moskova at (213) 738-2236.

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